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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

APPLICANT: PETKOVSEK ATTY. DOCKET NO.: USA-P-00-002
SERIAL NO.: 09/852,184 GROUP ART UNIT:
FILING DATE: May 9, 2001 EXAMINER: NOT ASSIGNED
INVENTION: "A SPECIAL SERVICE MAILING LABEL CAPABLE OF
RECEIVING ELECTRONICALLY IMAGED POSTAGE AND A
METHOD FOR USING SAME"

Asst. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR §1.56, Applicant requests that citation and examination of the references identified on the attached PTO-1449 form, copies of which of which are enclosed herewith, be made during the course of examination of the above-mentioned application for U.S. patent. No fee is due for submission of this statement. If, however, any fees are due and owing in view of this communication, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0595. ***A duplicate of this sheet is included for this purpose.***

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I. SUBMITTED REFERENCES

A. U.S. PATENTS

| <u>PATENT NO.</u> | <u>PATENTEE</u> | <u>ISSUE DATE</u> |
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| 5,173,081 | Greig | Dec. 22, 1992 |
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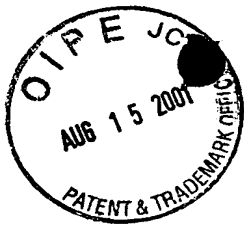
B. FOREIGN PATENT

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II. REMARKS

Copies of the above references together with form PTO-1449 are submitted herewith.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that all claims of the application are patentably distinguishable over the teachings of the above references, taken singly or in combination. Early consideration of the application is, therefore, requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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